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Dear Sir:

Reconsideration of the patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) is requested.

(1) The fee required as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) is attached herewith.

(2) The Statement of the facts involved:

(i) An Issue Notification, including the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment, of May 27, 2004, issued with a term adjustment of 229 days. Correction of the patent term adjustment to add an additional 66 days to the patent term is respectfully requested, for a total patent term adjustment of 295 days.

With respect to the grounds for adjustment set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(b), the term of an original patent shall be adjusted if the issuance of the patent was delayed due to the failure of the Office to issue a patent within three years of the actual filing date of the application.

(ii) The period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(b)

The period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(b) is the number of days, if any, in the period beginning on the day after the date that is three years after the date on which the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a).

In the present application, the actual filing date was April 10, 2001. This issue date of the patent is June 15, 2004. Therefore, the time between filing of the application and issuance of the patent was greater than three years.

There was a delay of 66 days between the date of filing and the issue date.

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Total patent term adjustment under 37 C.F.R. §1.703(f)

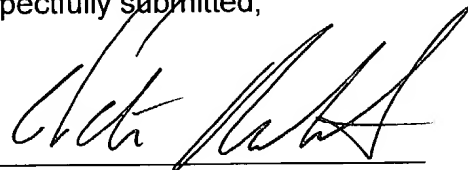
For the present application, the total patent term adjustment under 37 C.F.R. §1.703(f) is the period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. §1.703 reduced by the reduction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704. The total patent term adjustment is thus 295 days - 0 days = 295 days.

(iii) This application is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the patent term adjustment for this patent.

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